Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 15 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 16 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 14 Sep 2023 at 09:33 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Mainly settled conditions towards the weekend but high confidence for a change to wet and windy conditions early next week with lower confidence for details.

Headline for Friday 15 Sep 2023: Dry morning, patchy light rain at times in afternoon, mainly light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 15 Sep 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Light rain	Light rain	Dull	Dull
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	10%	10%	30%	20%	30%	30%

Forecast for Friday 15 Sep 2023

Weather: Dry overnight and on Friday morning but some patchy light rain may affect southern ranges in the afternoon. Quite cloudy at times during the day, particularly for areas west of the A9. A few spells of sunshine possible towards the Speyside hills. Light rain moves north during the evening but the northernmost hills staying dry.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% decreasing 70% later in the afternoon as lower cloud spreads north.

Low cloud and visibility: Patchy low cloud over some of the summits in the morning but generally a lot of clear weather and good views, especially around northern ranges. Patchy becoming scattered cloud forming above 600m around western ranges by evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	23/30 SW	20/26 SW	14/18 SW	8/11 SW	6/8 W	6/9 NE	8/11 NE	11/14 N	12/16 N
900	21/26 SW	18/21 SW	13/15 S	7/9 SW	4/7 NW	4/7 NE	6/8 NE	7/9 N	9/11 N
600	14/19 SW	12/16 SW	7/10 SW	5/7 W	3/6 N	4/7 NE	3/6 N	4/6 NW	4/8 N
300	5/14 SW	4/12 SW	3/9 SW	3/8 SW	3/6 SW	3/6 NE	3/6 NE	3/7 NE	4/9 N
Glen	3/16 SW	3/14 SW	2/11 SW	3/8 SW	4/7 NW	4/7 NE	3/6 N	2/7 N	2/8 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	2/-5	2/-4	2/-3	3/-0	4/1	3/1	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3
900	5/0	5/1	5/2	6/4	7/5	7/6	6/4	5/3	5/2
600	8/4	8/5	8/6	8/7	10/9	9/8	9/8	8/7	7/6
300	8/7	8/8	8/7	10/10	12/12	12/11	10/10	9/9	9/8
Glen	8/8	8/7	7/7	10/10	13/13	13/13	11/11	10/10	9/8
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1700m	1600m	1700m	1600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cool on the summits but winds becoming quite light on Friday.

Forecast for Saturday 16 Sep 2023
Weather: Perhaps cloudy with some light rain and drizzle at first on Saturday but improving from the north during the morning with some sunny spells for most during the afternoon. Feeling cooler in fresh northerly breezes.

Maximum wind: North 10-20mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% improving to 90%, cloud lifting from the north.

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered low cloud around western ranges in the morning will soon lift and clear with good views likely for all areas.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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